

Reduce Egg Output, USDA Advises

To avoid the extremely depressed prices which occurred in the first half of 1971, egg production in the first half of 1972 should be reduced three per cent from 1971 levels, the U.S. Department of Agriculture recommends in its "Egg Marketing Guide for the First Half of 1972." Output at this level would result in per capita supplies near 1970 levels but below those of the first half of 1971.

Since the improvement in livability and production from the use of Marek's disease vaccine may largely offset the reduction of 10 per cent in pullet chicks started in the first half of this year, heavy culling during the rest of this year is recommended to achieve the three per cent reduction by January 1, 1972.

The replacement pullet hatch

in the first half of 1972 should be at a level that will result in no increase in the number of layers in the flock. Where significant reductions in mortality are being obtained in growing pullets and in layers, a directly proportional reduction in the number of replacements started is recommended.

The earlier recommendation of no change in the July-December 1971 replacement hatch from a year earlier is revised to recommend a reduction of six per cent. This revision is in recognition of the size of the first half hatch, the difficulty in reducing the size of a young flock through culling, and the higher level of performance from the use of Marek's disease vaccine.

Copies of "Egg Marketing

Guide for the First Half of 1972." PMG-21, which contains detailed information on the recommendations, may be obtained soon from the Information Division, Consumer and Marketing Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, - D. C. 20250.

4-H'ers

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Miller, UGI home economist, and Donald Robinson, Garden Spot High School, New Holland, vocational teacher

Most of the blue ribbon winners will compete in the district 4-H demonstration Wednesday, July 14 at Owen J. Roberts High School, Chester County. The judges commented on each presentation and emphasized that all the demonstrations were very well done and had much educational value.

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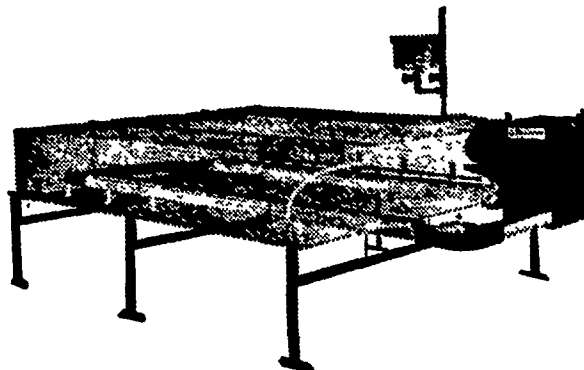
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